# Charlotte-Mecklenburg Continuum of Care 2018 New & Renewal Projects Request for Letter of Interest for Continuum of Care Program

Due Wednesday, June 13, 2018

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Continuum of Care is charged by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to submit a community-wide application for homeless assistance funds.

This announcement serves as the opportunity for agencies to submit a Letter of Interest (LOI) form for funding for new and/or renewal projects as part of the HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Homeless Assistance Grants Competition.

Information on Continuum of Care Programs can be located at https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/coc/.

Agencies considering submitting a letter of interest form must be able to clearly demonstrate their ability to successfully meet CoC program outcomes in one or more of the activity areas as outlined in the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing: Continuum of Care Program; Interim Final Rule (24 CFR Part 578 [Docket No. FR-5476-I-01].

#### INTRODUCTION

Eligible Activities:

- COC Renewal Projects (PSH, RRH, HMIS, or Coordinated Entry)
- New Permanent Supportive Housing Projects (PSH)
- New Rapid ReHousing Projects (RRH)\*
- New Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid ReHousing Projects (TH-RRH)
- \* All indications are that in the 2018 CoC Competition there may be a Domestic Violence RRH set-aside to serve victims of domestic violence, dating violence and stalking.

Note: Projects must be ready to proceed in calendar year 2019.

#### **COC PROJECTS ARE DESIGNED TO:**

- Promote community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness.
- Fund efforts by nonprofit providers and State and local governments to quickly house or rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families and communities by homelessness.

- Promote access to and utilization of mainstream benefits by homeless individuals.
- Provide supportive services that are voluntary, flexible and consumer-driven.

Funding for these projects is provided through the HUD CoC Homeless Assistance Grant Programs (under the HEARTH Act). Submission of a Letter of Interest form does not constitute an application nor does it constitute approval for funding by the CoC or by HUD.

The CoC anticipates that HUD will allow Charlotte-Mecklenburg to apply for approximately **\$3,600,000.00** in this competition.

# WHO CAN SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST Form

Applicants that:

- Serve persons residing in Mecklenburg County
- Utilize or is prepared to utilize the Homeless Management Information System to record client level data.

## **PROCESS**

Step 1: Interested agencies must submit a LOI form (New and/or Renewal) by June 13, 2018.

<u>Step 2:</u> LOI forms will be reviewed and evaluated in response to this announcement and Notice of Funding Application once released by HUD. Applicants will be notified if they were or were not recommended to submit a full application for funding consideration.

Applicants that are not recommended to submit a full application for funding will be provided a written explanation for the reason(s) for not being recommended and will be offered support and technical assistance to improve deficiencies identified during the letter of interest process. Applicants have the right to appeal recommendation decisions by submitting a formal written letter within two weeks of being notified.

## SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

LOI forms must be submitted electronically no later than **Wednesday**, **June 13**, **2018 to** rpfeiffer@charlottenc.gov.

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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